## Exhibit A

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## UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

In re

RESIDENTIAL CAPITAL, LLC, et al.,

Debtors.

Case No. 12-12020 (MG)

Chapter 11

Jointly Administered

CERTIFICATION UNDER GUIDELINES FOR FEES AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR PROFESSIONALS IN RESPECT OF FIRST INTERIM APPLICATION OF SEVERSON & WERSON, P.C. AS SPECIAL CALIFORNIA LITIGATION COUNSEL FOR DEBTORS FOR COMPENSATION AND REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES INCURRED FOR THE TIME PERIOD MAY 15, 2012 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2012

- I, Donald H. Cram, hereby certify that:
- 1. I am a member with the applicant firm, Severson & Werson, P.C. (the "**Firm**"), which serves as Special California Litigation Counsel to Residential Capital, LLC., *et al.*, as debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "**Debtors**").
- 2. This certification is made in respect of the Firm's compliance with the Amended Guidelines for Fees and Disbursements for Professionals in Southern District of New York Bankruptcy Cases, Administrative Order M-389, adopted by the Court on December 21, 2010 (the "Local Guidelines"), the United States Trustee Guidelines for Reviewing Applications for

Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses Filed Under 11 U.S.C. § 330, adopted on January 30, 1996 (the "UST Guidelines") and the Order to Establish Procedures for Interim Monthly Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses of Professionals (the "Interim Compensation Order") [Docket No. 172], and collectively with the Local Guidelines and UST Guidelines, the "Guidelines"), in connection with the Firm's first application, dated October 17, 2012 (the "Application"), for interim compensation and reimbursement of expenses for the period commencing May 15, 2012 through and including August 31, 2012, in accordance with the Guidelines.

- 3. In respect of Section B.1 of the Local Guidelines, I certify that:
  - (a) I have read the Application;
  - (b) to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief formed after reasonable inquiry, the fees and expenses sought fall within the Guidelines;
  - (c) the fees and disbursements sought are billed at rates and in accordance with practices customarily employed by the Firm and generally accepted by the Firm's clients; and
  - (d) in providing the reimbursable services reflected in the Application, the Firm did not make a profit on those services, whether performed by the Firm in-house or through a third party.
- 4. In respect of Section A.2 of the Local Guidelines and as required by the Interim Compensation Order, I certify that the Firm has complied with the provisions requiring it to provide the United States Trustee for the Southern District of New York and the Debtors and their attorneys with a statement of the Firm's fees and expenses accrued during the previous months.

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5. In respect of Section A.3 of the Local Guidelines, I certify that each of the Debtors, their attorneys, and the United States Trustee for the Southern District of New York is being provided with a copy of the Application.

DATED: October 17, 2012

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By: /s/ Donald H. Cram

Donald H. Cram Special California Litigation Counsel for Residential Capital, LLC, et al.